



# Hitchcock County Board Minutes



Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners

Trenton, Nebraska  
October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2012

A meeting of the County Board of Commissioners of Hitchcock County, Nebraska was held at the Hitchcock County Courthouse Commissioner's Room, 229 East D Street, Trenton, Nebraska on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of October, 2012 commencing at 9:00 o'clock a.m. Present were Chair Scott McDonald, Commissioners Ronald Wertz and Paul Nichols and County Clerk Margaret Pollmann. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the Hitchcock County News, the designated method for giving notice. Notice of this meeting was given to the Chair and all members of the Board. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

Chair McDonald called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and publicly stated to all in attendance that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was available for review and indicated the location of such copy in the room where the meeting was being held.

Member Nichols moved to approve the consent calendar consisting of the following items: 1. Approval of October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2012 agenda; 2. Approval of the September 17<sup>th</sup>, 2012 meeting minutes. Member Wertz seconded the motion and after consideration the following members voted in favor of said motion: Nichols, Wertz, and McDonald. Motion carried.

Member McDonald moved to approve the following claims. Member Wertz seconded the motion and after consideration the following members voted in favor of said motion: Wertz, Nichols, and McDonald. Motion carried.

## GENERAL FUND:

General Fund Payroll -----	\$ 5,364.40
Alamar Uniforms, uniforms -----	\$ 251.58
Ameritas Life Ins., retirement -----	\$ 743.32
Capital Business Systems, Inc., copier lease -----	\$ 126.18
Community Hospital, blood tests -----	\$ 139.25
Barry Corder, mileage/meals/lodging -----	\$ 193.85
Culbertson Auto Body, remove decals -----	\$ 120.00
Election Systems & Software, layout -----	\$ 405.00
Kwency Eyl, clerical -----	\$ 60.00
Farmers State Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed. -----	\$ 1,551.15
Great Plains Comm., service -----	\$ 1,120.68
Hitchcock Co. Clerk, recording fees -----	\$ 5.50
LaRue Dist., supply -----	\$ 315.70
Lynn Card Co., same -----	\$ 38.95
Judy McDonald, mileage -----	\$ 101.01
MIPS, Inc., website -----	\$ 450.00
NACo, membership dues -----	\$ 400.00
NE Co. Court Assn., dues -----	\$ 25.00
NE Dept. Rev., state tax -----	\$ 213.93
SW Public Power, utility -----	\$ 37.26
T&J Repair, repair -----	\$ 412.79
Top Office, supply/lease -----	\$ 685.02



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Verizon Wireless, service -----	\$ 301.18
Walmart, supply -----	\$ 837.11

## **ROAD FUND:**

Road Fund Payroll -----	\$ 6,223.84
Ameritas Life Ins., retirement -----	\$ 851.36
Brad's Sand & Gravel, gravel -----	\$ 1,956.84
Farmers State Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed. -----	\$ 1,411.72
Fastenal Industrial, repair -----	\$ 33.08
Great Plains Comm., service -----	\$ 168.06
John Deere Financial, grader pmt. -----	\$ 8,039.40
Lakeside Sand & Gravel, gravel -----	\$ 9,929.46
NE Dept. Rev., state tax -----	\$ 170.55
Retriever, LLC, repair -----	\$ 350.00
Richards Gravel Pit, Inc., gravel -----	\$ 2,821.50
Schamel's Auto Supply, repair -----	\$ 278.67
Titan Machinery, same -----	\$ 255.89
Village of Stratton, utility -----	\$ 75.82

## **INSTITUTIONS FUND:**

Domestic Abuse/Sexual Assault Services, budgeted funds -----	\$ 2,500.00
Region II Human Services, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Qtr. Assess. -----	\$ 2,126.87

## **NOXIOUS WEED FUND:**

Weed Fund Payroll -----	\$ 886.74
Ameritas Life Ins., retirement -----	\$ 123.03
Farmers State Bank, FICA/OASI/Fed. -----	\$ 216.14
Great Plains Comm., service -----	\$ 50.40
NE Dept. Rev., state tax -----	\$ 25.17

## **911 EMERGENCY SERVICES FUND:**

CenturyLink, service -----	\$ 277.55
Great Plains Comm., same -----	\$ 612.48

Bill McConville joined the meeting and discussion was held on an encroachment issue relating to a property located in Section 27-4-31.

Highway Superintendent Phil Dixon met with the board and discussion was held on the 1&6 Year Road and Street Improvement Program. Also discussed was the armor coat project on Rec. Road #44B. The 1&6 Year Road/Street Improvement Program Hearing will be held November 5<sup>th</sup>, 2012 at 10:00 a.m.

Member McDonald moved to direct Chair to execute the Oil Division Order from Central Crude on a mineral interest located in Part of the SE ¼ of the NE 1/4 of Section 28-2-33 contingent upon approval by county attorney. Member Nichols seconded the motion and after consideration the following members voted in favor of said motion: McDonald, Wertz and Nichols. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the Oil and Gas Lease by and between Hitchcock County and Manual Corporation on a tract of land located in the SE ¼SE¼ of Section 33-2-34 and E ½NE¼ of Section 4-1-34. This item will be tabled until the October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2012 meeting for further review.



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Amy Thealander, Program Officer with Southwest Nebraska Community Betterment Corp. met with the board and advised as to the need to amend the budget for CDBG Grant #10-HO-3065.

Member Nichols moved to approve the budget amendment for CDBG Grant #10-HO-3065 to reflect increases in housing management expenses incurred by Southwest Nebraska community Betterment Corporation. Member McDonald seconded the motion and after consideration the following members voted in favor of said motion. McDonald, Nichols, Wertz. Motion carried.

Chair executed Drawdown #15 relating to the Owner Occupied Housing Program and an Owner Occupancy Agreement by and between Hitchcock County and a qualified owner.

Chair acknowledged receipt of an application for economic development funds. Economic Development Plan Board Member Rich Bernt was present. Discussion was held relating to the availability of Hitchcock County Economic Development Funds. Pursuant to an e-mail received by attorney Garner, from Christina Bartels, "the Nebraska Department of Economic Development (DED) cannot release Hitchcock County from any further responsibility nor can we just "close out" the program on behalf of Hitchcock County" which was a reply to an e-mail from Attorney Garner regarding the review of information pertaining to the County's decision to forgo further administration of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) reuse funds. It is the consensus of the board that until Hitchcock County has been released and the County's involvement in the reuse grant program has been closed out by the Nebraska DED, no action can be taken at this time.

Board acknowledged receipt of a "Noxious Weed Survey and Inspection Report" from Jeff Lampmann, Ag Inspection Specialist with the Nebraska Department of Agriculture.

Veteran's Service Officer Barry Corder advised as to progress on the Veteran's Memorial project. Dedication is on schedule for November 11, 2012.

The Treasurer was in receipt of \$1.00 from Vonage Tax Account for 911 surcharges, credited to the 911 Emergency Services Fund; \$171.49 from Central Crude for oil production, credited to the General Fund.

Member Nichols moved to adjourn and to meet for the next regular meeting on Monday, October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. Member McDonald seconded the motion and the roll was called with the following members voting in favor of said motion: Wertz, Nichols, and McDonald. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

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Scott McDonald, Chair  
Hitchcock County Board of Commissioners

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Margaret M. Pollmann, County Clerk